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**Battle Color
Detachment**

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and Pull**

**A Quilt for a
Captain**





Courtesy Photo

Gunnery Sgt. Antonio Flores, of Headquarters Battalion, Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., uses physical training to instill obedience in misguided youth, during a Self-discipline, Honor, Obedience, Courage, and Knowledge (S.H.O.C.K.) Program session in Apple Valley. Marines here assist officers with the Apple Valley Police Activities League in mentoring the juveniles. Physical training, drill and classroom sessions are all used as a form of intervention with the young adults.

On The Cover:

Front photo by: Carlos Guerra

The Battle Color Detachment, from Marine Barracks Washington, D.C., performs at Marine Corps Logistics Base, Barstow, March 10. The performance opened with United States Marine Drum and Bugle Corps playing contemporary and traditional marching music.

Back photo by: Cindy McIntyre

Kerry Eaton, tractor operator for Production Plant Barstow, Marine Depot Maintenance Command, rigs equipment she is preparing to move. Seven women also work there as forklift operators, and one is a rigger.



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MCLB BARSTOW NEWS

Expect the best but train for the worst
By Cindy McIntyre, Editorial Assistant, and Keith Hayes, Public Information Specialist | February 19, 2015
Outside of the American Embassy a man lies dead in the street, killed and dumped by members of a violent mob as a graphic threat to others. **MORE**



Photos by Cindy McIntyre and Betty Jackson

Swedish-made small unit support vehicles are being repaired at Production Plant Barstow, Marine Depot Maintenance Command in Yermo, Calif., for the Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center in Bridgeport, Calif. Marines from MCMWTC and from the Marine Air Ground Task Force Training Command in Twentynine Palms, Calif., were on hand to inspect and accept the first one overhauled. The SUSV has been in service since the 1980s and never had any depot-level maintenance performed on them. PPB was faced with many material obsolescence issues to overcome during this process. Four more are in production, with a total of ten to be repaired at PPB.

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News Briefs

Leave Share Program

The following is a comprehensive list of individuals currently affected by medical emergencies and in need of leave donations:

Wanetta Blackwell

Anyone desiring to donate annual leave under the Leave Share Program may do so by contacting HRO at 577-6915.

Tax Assistance - March 13

Legal Services Support Team's Twentynine Palms Tax Center will be at MCLB Barstow's Bldg. 236 to help Marines, Marine retirees, and their dependents with preparing their 2014 tax returns. They will begin at 8 a.m. and the duration of their stay depends on demand. For information, contact Wanetta Blackwell, 577-6748.

Green Eggs & Ham, Family Restaurant - March 17

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a Green Eggs & Ham Breakfast at 7 a.m. to support the Single Marines Program. For more information, call 577-5889.

Wellness Series - March 18

The Wellness Series to be held at 1:30 p.m. at the Maj. Gen. James L. Day Conference Center will emphasize the importance of knowledge, attitudes, and practices relating to personal health and wellness. The March topic is finances. For more information, contact Marine & Family Programs at 577-6533.

Kick Butts - March 18

Join the 2nd annual Kick Butts Day from 2 - 4 p.m. at the School Age Care Center to learn how you can say "no" to tobacco and be smoke-free. For more information, contact SAC at 577-6499.

Chaplain's Easter Study and Box Lunch - March 18

All Marines, DoD civilians and family members are welcome to Chaplain Taylor's Easter Study and Lunch at the Chapel, 11:30 a.m. to noon. Box lunches are \$6 and must be prepaid by March 13. For information, call 577-6408.

Story Time & Craft with Play Morning - March 20

Watch a lucky egg hatch! Hear the story of "The Little Green Goose" and make a green craft at 9 a.m. in Bldg. 17. For more information, contact the Library at 577-6395.

Story Time & Craft March 25

It's time to rise and shine! Come to the Library, Bldg. 17 at 10 a.m. for a spring craft and a great story, "Spring is Here!" For more information, contact the Library at 577-6395.

Play Morning

New Parent Support, in conjunction with Marine Corps Family Team Building and Victor Community Support Services, invites all active duty and their dependents with children to attend Play Morning at the Desert View Housing Community Center, every Friday at 9 a.m. For more information, contact New Parent Support at 577-6533.

Mammoth Mountain Tickets

Pre-order your tickets now through April 20, 2015. Blackout dates apply. Regular midweek and weekend season tickets for adults, teens (13-18), children (5-12), and senior (65-79). Free admission for children four years and under, and seniors 80 and up. For more information, contact ITT at 577-6541.

Career Resource

If you are looking for employment, check out the weekly employment listing provided by the Career Resource Center at www.mccsbarstow.com/careerresource.html. For employment job search, or resume writing assistance, call the Career Resource Program at 577-6533.

Self-Defense Class April 15 and 22

Self-defense training can help you prepare responses to slow down, de-escalate, or interrupt an attack. Class is 6 p.m. at McCarver Hall. For information, contact the Family Advocacy Program at 577-6533.

NO MORE 5K Run/Walk

Sign a NO MORE Pledge Card and register for the run/walk at the Pledge Card Table located at the MCX on Wednesday, March 25, starting at 9:30 a.m. The 5K, which raises awareness for Sexual Assault Prevention and Response is at 1 p.m. April 17, starting at the Beer Garden. Contact Sexual Assault Prevention and Response at 577-6533.

NASCAR Tickets

Tickets are now available for NASCAR Race Weekend, March 20-22. Contact ITT for prices, directions, seating charts and more at 577-6541.

L.I.N.K.S. for Mentors

Join Marine Corps Family Team Building staff at the Hobby Shop, March 19, at 8:30 a.m. and March 20, at 9 a.m. for a workshop for those who have attended L.I.N.K.S. and want to give back, learn new skills and have fun. Once you complete mentor training you will be ready to present at future L.I.N.K.S. workshops! For more information, call 577-6675/6408.

Exceptional employees, quilt for a captain

Story and photo by:
Cindy McIntyre



Capt. William A. Hemme, operations officer with Fleet Support Division, during a Welcome Home Heroes presentation following his return from Afghanistan and Kuwait. The patriotic-themed quilt was draped over his shoulders by the Apple Valley Regional Chapter of Quilts of Valor.

Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., held its fiscal year 2015 first quarter employee awards breakfast at the Maj. Gen. James L. Day Conference Center, March 4.

Also included was a Welcome Home Heroes presentation honoring Capt. William Hemme, operations officer with Fleet Support Division, who recently returned from a tour of Afghanistan and Kuwait. Hemme was responsible for shipping out military assets and supplies from Afghanistan during the winding down of American involvement in the war effort there.

"I don't deal with people," he said of his job. "I deal with stuff. I get pencils. I get paper. I get tanks. It's not extremely exciting except in my own little world."

Bill Ponder, commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 12039 in Victorville, gave Hemme an official welcome home certificate. Hemme, who returned to Barstow in December 2014, was also presented a handmade quilt made by women of the Apple Valley Regional Chapter of Quilts of Valor.

Dee Brawley, presentation coordinator for the group, said, "I was humbled by listening to this gentleman saying his job wasn't very exciting." Addressing Hemme, she continued, "To me ... every single job is important, because the equipment you sent out helped protect people. We're happy to wrap you in this quilt of comfort."

Then the quilters draped the patriotic-themed quilt over Hemme's shoulders, and he wore it while Brawley recited a poem that is sent with each one. The international organization has made more than 144,500 quilts for wounded and returning veterans since 2003.

Awards were also presented to civilian employees and Marines by MCLB Barstow commanding officer Col. Michael L. Scalise. Gunnery Sgt. Chad Webb read each commendation.

Gregory Kunkel, supervisory firefighter/paramedic was presented with the Supervisor of the Year Award. "The blend of compassion, understanding, and dedication to duty that he brings to work every day is exceptional," read Webb. Because of Kunkel's efforts, base fire department personnel are 100 percent in compliance with EMS protocol, and the department is a front-runner in state-of-the art EMS equipment.

Wendy Hiett, supervisory financial management analyst, was awarded Employee of the Year for fiscal year 2014. She instituted a new process to assist directors with reviewing, approving and tracking overtime requirements and execution. She also coordinated the processing of retroactive pay transactions following the October 2013 government shutdown, and achieved cost savings of more than \$2 million.

Chad Hildebrandt, rail operations supervisor, was awarded Supervisor of the Quarter. He was instrumental in shifting the MCLB Barstow rail yard from operating within confines of the base to coordinating movement with military units and private industry railways such as BNSF. Hildebrandt's leadership saw the rail operations move 636 million pounds of freight, increasing the rail yard operation 228 percent.

Carlos Guerra, combat camera still photographer for the last two years at MCLB Barstow, was awarded Employee of the Quarter. Guerra completed 72 on-location and in-studio photography sessions, as well as hundreds of photographs. "Because of the quality of his work, he is often requested by name to provide photo support to the Army's aviation unit in Daggett and the Marine Aviation Detachment at Edwards Air Force Base," read Webb.

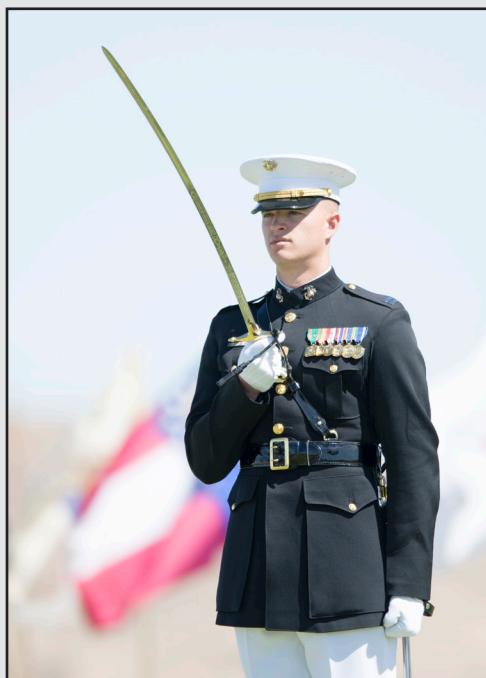
Michelle Adams, behavioral health administrative assistant for Marine and Family Programs, also received the Employee of the Quarter Award for developing and rewriting standard operating procedures instrumental in the accreditation process for behavioral health and Marine and Family Programs.

Receiving special recognition for superior performance were Child and Youth Program administrator Carey Carr, and resource and referral specialist Stacy Korves. They assured the Child and Youth, and Resources and Referral programs were in compliance above and beyond all requirements during the December 2014 multidisciplinary inspection.

Cpl. Kristopher Ezell, wireman, received the NCO of the Quarter Award, and Cpl. Amir Mohamed, administrative clerk, was awarded Marine of the Quarter. Both were cited for performing their demanding duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner, attesting to their leadership, devotion to duty, and military bearing.

Battle Color Detachment - precision at its finest

Compiled by Public Affairs Staff





The Battle Color Detachment, from Marine Barracks Washington, D.C. (“the Oldest Post of the Corps”), performed for an estimated crowd of 1,500 people on Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., March 10. The BCD is comprised of The United States Marine Drum and Bugle Corps, also known as “The Commandant’s Own,” the Silent Drill Platoon and the Marine Corps Color Guard.

“The Commandant’s Own” performs contemporary and traditional marching music with precision drill movements.

The Silent Drill Platoon executes precision drill with fixed bayonets atop M1 rifles, weighing approximately 10.5 pounds. The Marines go through their rifle maneuvers entirely without verbal commands.

The Marine Corps Color Guard carries the only official Battle Colors of the Marine Corps, with 54 streamers displaying the military service, expeditions, and campaigns Marines have participated in, from the American Revolution to today.

Hundreds of High Desert residents, from school children to disabled veterans, traveled to MCLB Barstow to witness the prestigious ceremony - one of hundreds the BCD performs each year. The Marines visited with members of the audience after the stirring performance.



Women push and pull - it's all good

By: **Cindy McIntyre**
Editorial Assistant

Forget the stale jokes about women drivers, or the hard-scrabble tales of women proving themselves in a "man's world." These women push around tanks and personnel carriers just like one of the guys, and make good money doing so.

Kerry Eaton has been working at the Production Plant Barstow, Marine Depot Maintenance Command doing just that for a decade. Sure, some of the guys were taken aback at first by a woman in a man's job. "But the women would stop and say, 'You make us look good,'" said Eaton.

And now she sees them as family. "When my husband died 18 months ago, they all helped me through it. I am very grateful to everyone for that."

"Remember how scared Kerry was of running the equipment when she first came here?" asked work leader Jim Dodd, speaking to one of his co-workers. "Now don't stand in her way!" he laughed. "She's a professional. That's what we say here: 'Be a professional.'"

Dodd said of the women heavy equipment operators in the Material Handling Equipment section, "They do their work like anybody else. They're hard workers." Seven women are forklift operators, one is a rigger (directing the crane operator), and Eaton is a tractor operator, riding high on the huge tractor that moves tanks and large vehicles.

Eaton said moving an M1 Abrams tank for the first time was unnerving. "We had an older (tractor), and when I tried to turn it, the tire rims went right to the ground. But I learned how to maneuver them." Moving the big stuff is easier than you think, once you learn how, she added.

Denise Orebaugh, material coordinator, drives a forklift capable of lifting around 5,500 pounds. She worked at a warehouse on the Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, Calif., Yermo Annex for six years, taking inventory, and stocking and cleaning equipment. Once the employees were all required to obtain forklift operator licenses, she decided she may as well drive one for a living. "The money's good," she said of the job. "And the people are great."

"They call me 'momma' out here," she said of her co-workers. "They'll say 'momma' you're working too hard. But that's just my work ethic. I like to get the job finished."

Orebaugh said moving big vehicle engines, such as those for Humvees and mine-resistant ambush-protected (MRAP) vehicles, is one of the more challenging tasks she does. "They're heavy, and worth lots of money."

The downside of the job for her is the weather, since much of her work is outdoors. "Hot weather doesn't bother me," she said. "It's the cold, rain, and especially the wind."

Her young co-worker Loren Forsythe said of Orebaugh, "She's a really hard worker. Even though she's older than me, she's strong. She out-powers me. When I'm working with her I'm trying to keep up. It's nice to work with someone who wants to work as hard as you do."

Forsythe grew up in Silver Lakes, and like many in the Barstow area she knew there were good jobs to be had at MCLB Barstow. She kept applying and began working as a forklift operator a year-and-a-half ago. "I have horses and I couldn't afford to keep them by working at the mall," she said.

Originally, she worked as an expeditor but that contractor lost the bid, so she moved into the forklift job through contractor URS (now AECOM). She hopes to train her two quarter horses in barrel racing, and to become good enough to join the Women's Professional Rodeo Association. "You have to win at least \$1,000 to qualify for membership," she said.

A visit to the busy PPB reveals a number of women working in many jobs previously considered "men's work." Considering that women in the military have long been performing well in many traditionally male jobs, this should not be surprising. However, it is nice to see the feminine touches these civilians bring to their job, from pink and purple hardhats, to earrings and colorful scarves.

But any woman who can push around a tank or an assault amphibious vehicle is a woman who can hold her own, pink hardhat or not.

Left to right: Denise Orebaugh, Kerry Eaton, Loren Forsythe



S-6 CYBER SECURITY SENSE

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Inside This Issue

Security Tip – Why is Cyber Security Important

WHY IS CYBER SECURITY IMPORTANT?

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What is cyber security? It seems that everything relies on computers and the internet now — communication (email, cellphones), entertainment (digital cable, mp3s), transportation (car engine systems, airplane navigation), shopping (online stores, credit cards), medicine (equipment, medical records), and the list goes on. How much of your daily life relies on computers? How much of your personal information is stored either on your own computer or on someone else's system?

Cyber security involves protecting that information by preventing, detecting, and responding to attacks.

What are the risks? There are many risks, some more serious than others. Among these dangers are viruses erasing your entire system, someone breaking into your system and altering files, someone using your computer to attack others, or someone stealing your credit card information and making unauthorized purchases. Unfortunately, there's no 100% guarantee that even with the best precautions some of these things won't happen to you, but there are steps you can take to minimize the chances.

What can you do? The first step in protecting yourself is to recognize the risks and become familiar with some of the terminology associated with them.

- **Hacker, attacker, or intruder** - These terms are applied to the people who seek to exploit weaknesses in software and computer systems for their own gain. Although their intentions are sometimes fairly benign and motivated solely by curiosity, their actions are typically in violation of the intended use of the systems they are exploiting. The results can range from mere mischief (creating a virus with no intentionally negative impact) to malicious activity (stealing or altering information).
- **Malicious code** - Malicious code, sometimes called malware, is a broad category that includes any code that could be used to attack your computer. Malicious code can have the following characteristics:
 - It might require you to actually do something before it infects your computer. This action could be opening an email attachment or going to a particular web page.
 - Some forms propagate without user intervention and typically start by exploiting a software vulnerability. Once the victim computer has been infected, the malicious code will attempt to find and infect other computers. This code can also propagate via email, websites, or network-based software.

Questions or comments? E-mail the Cyber Security Office at bstwiaworkrequests@usmc.mil

AROUND THE CORPS

A look at the Marine Corps outside of Barstow



Photo by: Cpl. Joey Mendez

Lance Cpl. Alexander Morris, a rifleman with Battalion Landing Team, 3rd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit, sights through his rifle scope during dry-fire training in Djibouti, Feb. 22, 2015. A contingent of MEU Marines was ashore in Djibouti conducting sustainment training in order to maintain proficiency while deployed. The 24th MEU is embarked on the ships of the Iwo Jima Amphibious Ready Group and deployed to maintain regional security in the U.S. 5th Fleet area of operations.



Photo by: Cpl. Carson Gramley

A U.S. Marine with Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 352, Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force – Crisis Response – Central Command, directs a KC-130J Hercules aircraft to the runway before takeoff in the Central Command area of operations, Feb. 23, 2015. The Marines, sailors and aircraft with VMGR 352 support SPMAGTF – CR – CC by transporting supplies, equipment and personnel to various locations in the region.



Photo by: Lance Cpl. Khalil Ross

The third gun of Bravo Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment fires a 155 mm howitzer under camouflage netting on Pohakuloa Training Area, Hawaii, during Operation Spartan Fury 15.2, March 2, 2015.

PAST BROTHERS IN ARMS REUNITE DURING MARINE CORPS TRIALS

Courtesy of Sgt. Brady Wood
Wounded Warrior Regiment

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. -- The Wounded Warrior Regiment gathered wounded, ill and injured Marines, Marine veterans and international wounded warrior athletes for the 2015 Marine Corps Trials aboard Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California, March 2015.

Two of these Marines were Sgt. Michael Pride and Gunnery Sgt. Gabriel Guest. Pride, a native of Kansas City, Missouri, is the assistant coach for track during the trials while Guest, a native of Palmdale, California, is an athlete competing in track, cycling and swimming.

Pride and Guest were both injured due to a blast from an improvised explosive device in late 2008 while deployed with 2nd Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division. Both Marines were sent to Balboa Naval Medical Center in San Diego for treatment.

Pride and Guest have kept in contact over the years via social media and catch up on lost time whenever they run into each other, such as at the Marine Corps Trials.

“Guest knows how to take care of his Marines,” said Pride. “Whenever I run into him he always asks me how I’m doing and how my career has been since the recovery from my injury. It’s nice to know that even though we don’t work with each other anymore he still cares.”

Pride’s left arm was rebuilt and fine-tuned, and it took two-and-a-half years for him to complete the recovery process.

Guest, on the other hand, had his left leg amputated above the knee. He suffered several compound fractures from the same IED blast in 2008, but the doctors at Balboa believed that there was a good chance of saving his leg. However, four years later, his left leg became infected multiple times and that is when he decided to have his leg amputated.

During the trials, Guest has been working closely with Pride to practice for the track competition.

“Pride is an exceptional human being,” said Guest. “Knowing him personally and working with him professionally in the past has made his coaching that much better. He competed in track in the past and is excellent at physical conditioning so when he tells me to do something I do it and it’s been great learning from him.”

As a single leg amputee, Guest has noticed first-hand that without his left knee it is hard to know exactly where his leg is, but the coaching from Pride has helped him control where his leg is and where he wants to place it next.

“He has taught me that keeping my core muscles tight will help control where my leg goes,” said Guest. “He has also taught how to increase my agility, and that warming up the muscles prior to the practice help out a lot.”

The purpose of the Marine Corps Trials is to provide an opportunity for all wounded, ill and injured Marines to further the rehabilitation of their minds, bodies and spirits through competition and camaraderie.



Gunnery Sgt. Gabriel Guest, a single leg amputee (left), and Sgt. Michael Pride, an assistant coach for track (right), reunite after seven years at the 2015 Marine Corps Trials aboard Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California, March 2015. The Wounded Warrior Regiment gathers wounded, ill and injured Marines, Marine veterans and international wounded warrior athletes for the Trials.

